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IN THE MATTER OF U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S **COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 271 OF** THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

ELI'S RESPONSE TO JOINT MOTION OF STAFF AND U S

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Electric Lightwave, Inc. hereby responds to the Joint Motion for Workshops on Remaining Section 271 Issues filed by Commission Staff and U S WEST. As set forth below, ELI objects to the Joint Motion and the procedural schedule contained therein. On those issues, ELI joins in and incorporates AT&T's Response to Joint Motion of Staff and U S WEST and the responses of the other CLECs.

Further, ELI stresses that the proposed workshop schedule advocated by Staff and U S WEST in the Joint Motion places serious resource and manpower demands on ELI that may jeopardize ELI's involvement in the workshop process. Under the Joint Motion, various workshops on different issues will be conducted concurrently and/or in rapid succession and would exceed ELI's manpower and resource limitations. The Arizona workshops would be stacked on top of one

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another and be simultaneous with workshops in other states. ELI simply doesn't have the resources and manpower to accommodate the workshop schedule as dictated by the Joint Motion. ELI will be unable to dedicate the necessary resources to attend multiple back-to-back workshops, draft testimony and comments and prepare for the workshops in Arizona and other jurisdictions.

As such, ELI respectfully requests that the Hearing Officer schedule the workshop process to conclude in May or June 2001 with each series of workshops complete before the next series begins. Such a schedule would allow ELI to participate fully in the Arizona workshops given the company's resource and manpower limitations.

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